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Office Action Summary

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Examiner

Yonas Bayou

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 28 January 2004.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-8 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-8 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 28 January 2004 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

1. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

2. Claims 1-8 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Trostle, US Patent 6,775,783 (hereinafter Trostle).

Referring to claims 1 and 6, Trostle teaches a method for use in a computer system that effects secure access to a store comprising:

providing said store with an exclusive user id [**column 3, lines 25-33** credentials which is equivalent to an exclusive user id stored in a secret file];

initiating a process responsive to a store access request [**column 4, lines 7-9 and fig. 1** the user initiate logon process];

changing a context of the process to the user id of said store [**column 7, lines 43-50**; initializing/changing a security context to obtain secret file (special user id)];

communicating between said process and said store via private communications channels **[column 5, lines 52-54]**; communication channel between the process (the logon program) and said store(LSA(Local Security Authority)) is inherently private communication]; and

obtaining data responsive to said store access request **[column 4, lines 57-67]**; obtaining authentication information (data responsive to said store access request) to the user of an application client].

Referring to claims 2 and 7, Trostle also teaches a method for use in a computer system that effects secure access to a store further comprising:

sending the data responsive to said store access request to a downstream process **[column 5, line 59- column 6, line 2]** sending the data(authentication information) request to the security server which is inherently data responsive to said store access request to a downstream process (security server)].

Referring to claims 3 and 8, Trostle also teaches a method for use in a computer system that effects secure access to a store further comprising:

logging said store access request **[column 5, lines 36-59; fig. 1]**; logging takes place to prompt the user for the authentication information (said store access)].

Referring to claim 4, Trostle also teaches a method for use in a computer system that effects secure access to a store further comprising:

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wherein sending the data responsive to said store access request to a downstream process further comprises never sending the data to the requestor [column 8, lines 22-28; the user never has direct access to the data (store access) must go through a downstream process (security server)].

Referring to claim 5, Trostle also teaches a method for use in a computer system that effects secure access to a store further comprising:

wherein said computer system employs the UNIX operating system and wherein said context changing comprises invoking the UNIX set user id facility [column 7, lines 43-50; column 8, lines 50-56 and fig. 1; a computer system uses UNIX operating system (type of process) and initializing/changing a security context to obtain secret file (the UNIX set user id facility)].

Conclusion

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Yonas Bayou whose telephone number is 571-272-7610. The examiner can normally be reached on m-f, 7:30-5:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Joseph Del Sole can be reached on 571-272-1130. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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